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# GRANTS AVAILABLE TO EXPAND AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

***Grant writing workshop will be held Mon., May 23.***

The Nebraska Department of Education is requesting proposals to expand afterschool programs as part of a new *One-Year Opportunity Grant* competition open to school districts and community-based organizations.

Proposals must provide expanded learning opportunities (ELOs) through programming, support activities and services to students attending an afterschool program currently funded by a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center (21<sup>st</sup> CCLC) Continuation Grant.

Grants will range from \$10,000 - \$50,000 with a required 1:1 match. Overall, \$250,000 is available to be awarded to partnerships that include school districts and community-based organizations.

Proposals must be postmarked no later than the July 1, 2016, deadline.

A list of eligible 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC sites and all application materials are posted on the ELO website at <http://www.education.ne.gov/21stcclc/>.

The technical assistance grant writing workshop will be conducted via technology on Mon., May 23, at 2:00 p.m., CDT. Instructions on how to join the workshop are also posted on the ELO website.

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